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Two localities in particular are associated respectively with the freedom of the will and generalized space, and whenever I think of one of these subjects the corresponding place, with surrounding buildings and scenery, is always vividly present. Of course this is mere association of ideas, but the localization of a numerical series is doubtless nothing more, and I can see no analogy between it and the phenomena of color-hearing, etc., which seem to have for a basis an actual stimulation of two senses by the causes that usually affect only one—probably a purely physiological phenomenon.

It is not necessary to suppose any material basis for the diagram. I used to think that mine arose from my learning my numbers from a set of blocks, which I placed in a row. It seems just as likely, however, that the diagram was wholly imagined, it being easier to remember the numbers when associated with a position in space. It seems likely that many people have these diagrams who do not realize it; I was not always aware of mine till they had been firmly fixed in my mind for many years.

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ROUND WORMS IN THE BRAINS OF BIRDS.

In reference to the note by Professor G. H. French, in *Science* for June 2, it may be said that many years ago the late Professor Nyman published an article in the Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History on a nematoid parasite which lives coiled up in the brain of the anninga or snake-bird in Florida. The species is *Eustrongylus papillosus* of Diesing. Afterwards, in the Bulletin or Report of Hayden's Geological Survey of the Territories, the volume and year not in my mind at this writing, I described and figured a similar species (*Eustrongylus buteonis*) which was found by a student of mine living under the eyes of *Buteo swainsoni*, while another species (*Eustrongylus chordeilis*, Pack.) was removed

from the brain of the night-hawk. These are all referred to in my text book of Zoölogy, p. 169. A. S. PACKARD.

SHARKS IN FRESH WATER.

I HAVE twice noticed extended and circumstantial accounts of the existence, and in great abundance, of genuine sharks in the fresh-water lake of Nicaragua. Though the first account, according to my recollection, appeared in a very reputable publication, I was inclined to think, from the novelty of the idea, that it was merely an invention of some writer who was amusing himself, and filling out an article, but seeing another account by another writer, and even more circumstantial than the first account, I cannot doubt that there is some basis for the statement. If any readers of *Science* know of the occurrence of genuine sharks in fresh water, and especially in the case of the lake above mentioned, I should be glad to have a report to *Science*.

In conversation the other day with one who is a good deal of an authority in such matters, I found that he had no knowledge of any occurrence of sharks in fresh water, but saw nothing unreasonable in the idea. C. H. AMES.

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THE many friends of Henry de Varigny, Sc. D., of Paris, France, will be glad to know that he is on the way to this country, having sailed on Aug. 23, being sent by the French government to investigate certain questions connected with the fisheries and applied entomology.

—Corrections: In the letter by Joseph C. Thomson, not Joseph W. Thompson, on page 97, for "innovated" read "innervated."

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